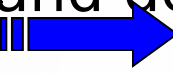


# EPIDEMIC TYPHUS (Louse-Borne Typhus)



- Caused by rickettsia obtained from lice
  - Increased risk in colder months
- Symptoms
  - Headache, chills, prostration, fever, and general pains
  - Rash after five to six days on upper trunk spreading to entire body but not usually face, palms, or soles
  - Severe symptoms and death possible
- Countermeasures  Prevent lice infestation
  - Use the DOD Insect Repellent System
  - Maintain proper hygiene